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Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its fourth session

Addendum

Programme budget implications of draft resolution II, entitled "Implementation of the resolutions and recommendations of the Ninth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders"

Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 31 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council

1. Under the terms of various paragraphs of draft resolution II, the Economic and Social Council would request the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and the Secretary-General to undertake a number of activities during the year 1995 and the biennium 1996-1997, the implementation of which would require additional resources.

2. Should the Economic and Social Council adopt the draft resolution, the activities that would need to be initiated in 1995, in particular those relating to firearms regulations (sect. IV.A of the draft resolution), would be financed from within the resources already approved under section 13 of the programme budget for 1994-1995 (Crime control), through the reassignment of priorities or from extrabudgetary resources, as requested in various paragraphs of the draft resolution.

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3. As far as the requirements for the biennium 1996-1997 are concerned, it is estimated that to a large extent they could be accommodated from within the programme of work and resources already proposed by the Secretary-General in his proposed programme budget for 1996-1997 under section 13 or from extrabudgetary resources, as requested in various paragraphs of the draft resolution. Some activities are new, however, and would require resources over and above those proposed under section 13, as follows:

Travel of members of the Commission to attend the inter-sessional working group (sect. I.B of the draft resolution)	$112,000
Ad hoc expert group meeting on firearms regulations (sect. IV.A of the draft resolution)	$ 56,000
Consultancy services for preparation of a specialized report on firearms (sect. IV.A of the draft resolution)	$ 24,000

These additional requirements ($192,000) would be reported to the General Assembly and dealt with in accordance with the procedure for use and operation of the contingency fund established by the Assembly in its resolution 42/211.

4. The conference-servicing requirements for the inter-sessional and sessional open-ended working groups and other meetings proposed under various paragraphs of the draft resolution are estimated at $330,000. These requirements would be dealt with within the overall conference-servicing capacity of the United Nations Office at Vienna and related provisions reserved in the programme budget for that purpose. The actual conference-servicing costs of the meetings would be reported to the General Assembly in the context of the budget performance report for that biennium.